

SECRETARY OF THE ARMY WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Establishment of the U.S. Army Office of Policy and Global Affairs

- 1. Reference Headquarters, Department of the Army General Orders 2024–05 (Establishment of the United States Army Office of Policy and Global Affairs), 18 April 2024.
- 2. Purpose. This memorandum announces the establishment of the U.S. Army Office of Policy and Global Affairs (PGA) pursuant to the referenced order. In light of the evolving global security landscape, the Army is transforming to meet significant new combat, posture, and partner cooperation requirements. Army senior leaders (ASLs) must balance competing national security policy requirements, maintain close cooperation with allies and partners, and negotiate and advocate national security policy equities within the Department of Defense and the broader policy community. These requirements are increasingly cross-cutting and complex, requiring extensive coordination and oversight within the Army.
- 3. PGA will synchronize the implementation of national security priorities by ensuring the priorities of the Secretary of the Army are nested with the policy guidance of the Secretary of Defense and well coordinated within the Army. PGA monitors and guides policy implementation and facilitates the improved coordination and deconfliction of national security policy decisions and products within the Army. The Director of PGA will serve as a senior civilian advisor to the Secretary of the Army and ASLs on national security policy matters, excluding matters in the intelligence enterprise. Additionally, the director will serve as the Secretariat's primary senior interlocutor with the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy and interagency policy entities. None of the roles, responsibilities, and duties of PGA personnel prescribed in this memorandum or the referenced order will conflict with roles, responsibilities, and duties of the personnel and offices prescribed in Title 10, U.S. Code, Chapters 703 and 705.
- 4. On my behalf, PGA will serve as an additional resource and a source of guidance to the Army national security policy community. PGA will function as the Secretariat's primary national security policy team and work hand in hand with the Army Staff, commanders/directors, and assistant secretaries of the Army (ASAs) to accomplish its mandate. Specifically, PGA will serve as the Secretariat's direct counterpart to national security policy and strategy components within the Army Staff, including DAMO-SS, as well as policy leadership within the Army service component commands. PGA will coordinate closely with the ASAs and relevant stakeholders to support the effective execution of policy activities and foster greater connectivity across policy stakeholders.

5. The Deputy Under Secretary of the Army will oversee PGA's establishment. Guided by a zero-growth model, the Headquarters, Department of the Army will realign and refocus current capacity to support the establishment and staffing of PGA. In support of this effort, I am directing the reallocation of a small number of personnel authorizations from the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7 to PGA. These personnel will work closely with the Army policy community to ensure effective coordination within the Army and alignment with Department of Defense priorities and guidance.

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